

## **Service Delivery Reform Committee**

### **Principles**

#### **I. CHOICE**

People with developmental disabilities make choices in matters which affect their quality of life and have available understandable information to assist them in making these choices. Consumers' rights to make choices include where and with whom to live, favorite people with whom to socialize, and meaningful daily activities including paid work. An individual program plan (IPP) is developed based on the person's choices, strengths, capabilities, lifestyle and cultural background that identifies the individually tailored services and supports which will be provided. W&I Code §§ 4500.5(c), 4501, 4502(j), 4502.1, 4503(i), 4512(b) 4590, 4620, 4646, 4646.5, 4648(a)(1)(2)(5)(6E), 4685.5, 4750, GC §§ 95020.

#### **II. LIFESTYLE**

People with developmental disabilities are treated with dignity and respect and supported in making and keep friendships, close relationships and circles of support. Their cultural backgrounds are respected. The health, safety and well-being of all people served is through easy access to medical, dental and mental health services. W&I Code §§ 4501, 4502(b)(d)(f)(h)(j), 4512(f), 4646, 4646.5(a)(1)(5), 4648(a)(1), 4648(c), 4687, 4689, 4691, 4774, GC §§ 95001, 95020.

#### **III. COMMUNITY INCLUSION**

People with developmental disabilities are fully included into the mainstream life of their natural communities and have expanding opportunities for full and equal participation in paid work, spiritual, recreational and leisure activities with persons with and without disabilities, and homes in regular neighborhoods. W&I Code §§ 4500.5, 4501, 4502(a)(b)(e), 4640.7(a), 4646, 4646.5(a)(2), 4648(a)(1)(2)(5)(13), 4680, 4688, 4689, 4750, GC §§ 95001, 95020.

#### **IV. FAMILY UNITY**

Children receive services and supports that are valued by their families and enrich their quality of life. Services for children are family-focused and designed to fully develop a child's growth and address the special concerns of their families. The families of adults with developmental disabilities make significant contributions to the support and well-being of their relatives, which should be recognized and supported. W&I Code §§ 4501, 4512(h),

4620.1, 4646, 4646.5(a)(6), 4685), 4648(a)(1), 4690.2, GC §§ 95001, 95016, 95020.

## **V. QUALITY SERVICES AND SUPPORTS**

People with developmental disabilities pursue futures of their own design, supported by flexible, creative, individually tailored services and supports in a coordinated statewide system. Services and supports result in consumers increasing their levels of independence, productivity, self-determination and inclusion into their communities. Consumers keep or change supports based on their satisfaction. All services and supports are of high quality. System evaluation is outcome based, focusing on improving the quality and effectiveness of services and supports and the level of consumer satisfaction. W&I Code §§ 4501, 4512(b), 4596.5, 4620, 4646, 4646.5, 4648(a)(2)(5)(7), 4648(d), 4648.1, 4651, 4680, 4688, 4690, 4691, 4750, GC §§ 95001, 95007(h), 95016, 95018, 95020, 95022.

## **VI. FUNDING**

Funding affects the availability and distribution of services and supports for persons with developmental disabilities. In order for consumers to receive the services and supports identified in their Individual Program Plans, sufficient funding will be provided to ensure the availability of quality services and supports which meet the needs and choices of consumers, in the least restrictive setting. W&I Code §§ 4500.5 (d), 4774.